# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
# LOK SABHA

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INCLUSION OF LAND IN SANCTUARY
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government had acquired the private land for developing the Karnataka Sanctuary situated in the Shivpuri district of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether the villagers are facing problems in sale-purchase of private land in absence of de-notification of the aforesaid sanctuary;

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) the time by which the sanctuary is likely to be de-notified?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a), (b) & (c) As informed by the State Government of Madhya Pradesh, Karera Wildlife Sanctuary in Shivpuri District comprises both Government revenue land as well as private land and in view of the provisions of Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, as applicable to a Sanctuary, the villagers do face problems in buying and selling land. The State Government has therefore, proposed to denotify the Sanctuary.

(d) The proposal for denotification of any Sanctuary/National Park requires recommendation of the National Board for Wildlife as per the provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and thereafter, approval from Hon'ble Supreme Court also. The proposal for denotification of Karera Sanctuary has been recommended by the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife. No specific time limit for approval from Hon'ble Supreme Court can be indicated.